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Dedre- thanks so much for this service; it is really useful. I am unable to access the BNA report on Pavillion below and am wondering if you could help. thanks

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Organic Geochemistry, Available online 16 September 2012, Pages

Clement N. Uguna, Andrew D. Carr, Colin E. Snape, Will Meredith, Miguel Castro-Díaz

Highlights

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Microbial degradation of sedimentary organic matter associated with shale gas and coalbed methane in eastern Illinois Basin

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International Journal of Coal Geology, Available online 13 September 2012, Pages

Ling Gao, Simon C. Brassell, Maria Mastalerz, Arndt Schimmelmann

Highlights

► Biodegradation characteristics of organic matter in coals and shales are different. ► Degradation of aromatic compounds in coals is much more advanced than in shales. ► The extent of biodegradation of organic matter in coals and shales is inversely related to depth.

A Review of the thermal maturity and hydrocarbon potential of the Mancos and Lewis Shales in parts of New Mexico, USA

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Highlights

► The Mancos Shale in the study area is immature. Maturity increases in a southeastern direction where the shale can generate thermogenic gas. ► The quality of the organic matter (kerogen) is mostly of type III (gas-prone). ► The thicknesses of the Lewis and Mancos shales are adequate to generate and store large volumes of natural gas in the thermally mature areas. ► The study area contains potential fracture zones which, along with the sandy/silty character of the Mancos could provide natural permeability pathways. ► The part of the study area located within the Albuquerque Basin contains thick sections of the Mancos but at a depth >4km. ► Prospective areas for gas may be found at shallower depths near the margins of the basin, if an active hydrologic system close to the shale is present.

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